

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

The invention relates to a process for the manufacture of optically pure (R) or (S)-5-(2-aminopropyl)-2-methoxybenzenesulfonamide with D-i.e. (2S, 3S) or L-i.e. (2R, 3R)-tartaric acid to form a mixture of diastereomeric salts, separating the diastereomeric salts by fractional crystallization in a mixture of solvent systems and at the specified temperature range and contacting the individual salts so separated with a base to provide said R-(-)-5-(2-aminopropyl)-2-methoxybenzenesulfonamide or S-(+)-5-(2-amino propyl)-2-methoxybenzenesulfonamide.